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Thai Marine commander visits Okinawa



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Thai Rear Adm. Terdsak (center) looks on as Marines from 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines, prepare to use a field expedient rope bridge.

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Combat Correspondent

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION FUTENMA — Rear Adm. Promsiri Terdsak, commander, Marine Division, Royal Thai Marines, accompanied by Maj. Gen. Joseph T. Anderson, commanding general, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, visited Marines stationed at various camps on Okinawa Jan. 17-20.

"The purpose of the visit is to share and conduct business with our good friends and Thai Allies," said Maj. Gen. Anderson.

Rear Adm. Terdsak began his tour of Marine Corps training with operation briefs from the Marines of HMLA-369, before leaving to tour the Jungle Warfare Training Center.

The Marines from HMLA-369 also presented Rear Adm. Terdsak and Maj.

Gen. Anderson with hats, shirts, coins and patches with the unit's logo printed on them.

One stop during the visit took place at the northern training areas of the JWTC. Terdsak and his party visited with the Marines of JWTC and observed Marines from 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines, training.

The training included the suspension and traverse trainer, rope bridges, water purification, cliff training, Special Effects Small Arms Marking System, and a force-on-force demonstration.

"Its good for us to know about each others capabilities," said Lt. Col. John E. Mitchell, commanding officer, Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron-369, 1st MAW. "If there comes a time we may need their assistance, it will make operations in the fog and friction of combat a little smoother."

Former CMC dies at age 86

Maj. Patrick Gibbons

Public Affairs, Headquarters Marine Corps

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY, Va. — More than 700 mourners attended funeral services for former Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Leonard F. Chapman Jr. here Jan. 14. Gen. Chapman, who served as the Corps' 24th Commandant from 1968-71, died Jan. 6 at the age of 86.

Throughout the memorial service at the Fort Myer chapel, Gen. Chapman was praised for his contribution to today's Marine Corps by holding the line on Marine Corps standards and values following the Vietnam War.

Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. James L. Jones described Gen. Chapman as "the Rock of Gibraltar in a sea of change." He was someone, said the general, who had an "intuitive ability to do the right thing."

Gen. Jones said Gen. Chapman succeeded because he understood the task of leadership, adding, "this Commandant is very special."

Former Commandant Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr., a longtime friend of the Chapman family, delivered the eulogy before an over-flowing chapel. Gen. Mundy characterized him as the "helmsman" whose steadfastness guided the Corps through the tumultuous late '60s and early '70s.

At a time when anti-war sentiments ran high, Gen. Mundy said the late Commandant defined the Marine Corps to the public with his observation that "nobody likes to fight, but somebody has to know how."

He was, Gen. Mundy said, "a gentleman in all respects. He was tough, but he led by logic, character and an inspiring example. On the day he retired, he was still the sharpest Marine I had ever known."

Danielle Chapman, the former Commandant's grand-daughter, read a poem she had written on behalf of the



CPL. JENNIFER KENEFICK

Former Commandant Gen. Carl E. Mundy Jr., a longne friend of the Chapman family, delivered the eu-Leonard F. Chapman Jr., at Arlington National Cemetary.

family

Chaplain of the Marine Corps Capt. Joseph R. Lamonde, USN, delivered a homily noting the turbulence Gen. Chapman faced during his term as Commandant.

"He faced the obstacles of his day head-on and overcame each of them," Lamonde said. "He did the right thing, no matter the public or political opinion. There was no waffling to determine the prevailing political winds."

Gen. Chapman "provided the strong ground on which to stand" because he was squarely rooted in "valor and values," Lamonde said.

Among those in attendance were several former Marine Corps Commandants and generals, Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Jay Johnson, Senators Charles Robb (D-Va.) and John Warner, (R-Va.), both former Marines, and Virginia Chaffee, wife of the late Sen. John Chaffee of R.I.

Following the service, Gen. Chapman was taken in a procession nearly a half-mile long to Arlington National Cemetery, where he was buried with full military honors alongside his wife Emily and his son Leonard, III.

Gen. Chapman is survived by his son Walton Ford Chapman, 56, his granddaughter Danielle Chapman and his daughter-in-law Gayle Chapman Harmes.

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Marines share the wealth with CFC

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CAMP FOSTER — Marking the end of the 1999 Combined Federal Campaign, island units were recognized for their participation during an awards ceremony at the Butler Officers' Club here Jan. 20.

Units with a high level of participation and contribution were awarded gold, silver or bronze awards by Rene Acosta, president, International Service Agencies. Twelve Marine Corps units were awarded the bronze award, and two units were awarded the silver.

The overall contribution made by Okinawa's military community was \$964,000. The total is a 14 percent increase over the previous year.

"The purpose of the Combined Federal Campaign is to give people the opportunity to support the charity of their choice," said Acosta.

This year's campaign began Oct. 1, 1999 and ended Dec. 17, 1999. Marine Forces Japan goals of 100 percent contact were met, in addition to a 4.5 percent increase in participation and an 11 percent increase in contributions. The total contribution effort for MARFORJAPAN brought in \$697,491.38 for the CFC, surpassing its goal of \$599,260.

MARFORJAPAN total contributions for 1999

squashed 1998's total of \$587,510.

In addition, the contributions made by all of U.S. Pacific Command totaled \$4,154,064.

"Overall Marines exceeded all expectations," said Gunnery Sgt. Francis A. Legier, 3rd Marine Division CFC representative. "There's a lot of needy people and by doing this once a year we can focus more attention on the program, allowing us to raise more money all at once."

"The reason for the increase in participation and contributions is due to the increased visibility with the media, the tremendous leadership support, more project personnel and a broader scope of exposure," said

"I would personally like to thank all of you for your participation in CFC, particularily those of you who offered so much of your personal time and effort to make the campaign a success," said Brig. Gen. Gary H. Hughey, commanding general, Marine Corps Base.

"The United States Armed Forces have a proud tradition of taking care of those in need," said Brig. Gen. Hughey. "Whether we are engaged in large scale humanitarian assistance missions or donating individual time, effort and money on a more personal level, we continued to serve our needy abroad. Your contributions do make a big difference."



Rene Acosta, International Service Agencies president, speaks to all of the unit CFC representatives at the CFC awards ceremony.



Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew R. Yost



Petty Officer 1st Class Jack B. Bosma

3rd MarDiv recognizes '99 Sailors of the Year

Sgt. Kevin E. Harris

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CAMP COURTNEY — Brigadier Gen. Gordon C. Nash, commanding general, 3rd Marine Division, recognized 3rd Marine Division's junior and senior Sailors of the Year at a ceremony here Jan. 21.

Petty Officer 1st Class Jack B. Bosma, career counselor and assistant medical planner, 3rd Marine Division, and Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew R. Yost, corpsman, G Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division were named senior and junior Sailors of the Year for 3rd Marine Division respectively.

During the ceremony, the Sailors reflected on the what the recognition meant to them.

Although Bosma received various recognition in the past, he said they do not compare to what he is receiv-

"I really want to excel in the MEF and the [Marine Forces Pacific] level," said Bosma. "However, [this recognition] surprised me,"

"I just want to get my job done, help people out and have fun," added Bosma.

Marine Division Junior Sailor of the Year, Yost also was promoted meritoriously to his present rank and awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. Bosma and Yost will now compete for Sailor of the Year honors with their peers within III Marine Expeditionary Force.



MACG-18 welcomes new enlisted leader

MCAS FUTENMA — Marine Air Control Group-18's incoming sergeant major, Sgt. Maj. Alfonso Villa (right), accepts the sword of office from Col. Bradley E. Turner, commanding officer, MACG-18 during a post and relief ceremony here Jan. 21.

Villa was previously the sergeant major for Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron here and replaced Sqt. Maj. James F. Bowling, Jr., who will be going to New Orleans to take over as sergeant major for the 4th Marine Aircraft Wing.

"I'm not a proponent of re-inventing the wheel. I'm a proponent of keeping it endowed," Villa said at the ceremony. "Group 18 is doing extremely well. You're all doing a fine job here. I'm going to give it my professional best to give you the kind of support Sgt. Maj. Bowling has given you over the years and continue to march forward."



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Elements of 31st MEU ship out to East Timor

(above) Marines from G Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, carry their gear aboard the U.S.S. Juneau (LPD-10). (left) Marines from HMM-265, board the U.S.S. Juneau. Elements of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked recently aboard the USS Juneau in support of the United States portion of the Australian-led International Forces East Timor. Approximately 260 Marines and Sailors have formed Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force East Timor. The SPMAGTF is comprised of Marines from MEU Service Support Group-31, four CH-46E Sea Knight helicopters from Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-265, and Golf Company, Battalion Landing Team, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.

Religious Program Specialists celebrate anniversary at Tri-Mod

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CAMPKINSER — The Navy Department Religious Program Specialists islandwide celebrated their 21st anniversary in traditional fashion at the Tri-Mod ballroom here Jan. 15.

The celebration recounted the long history of the Religious Program Specialists after Chaplain Henry Nixon Jr., III Marine Expeditionary Force, praised the religious specialists for their service.

"The RP rating is evolving, where the RPs are becoming more of a respected member of the religious routine," said Nixon. "As chaplains are involved in military operations other than war, the person who is operating behind the scenes in humanitarian civic activities and non combat evacuations, and really doing the hard work is the RP."

"As RP specialists, we work behind the scenes without praise," said Petty Officer 2nd Class Tott W. Mitchell, Religious Program Specialist, Marine Air Control Group-18, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. "We do it because we like the job, not because we want the notoriety."

With the help of the Religious Program Specialists, the chaplain is able to do more.

"The RP enables the chaplain to be more diverse and to facilitate all people regardless of religious faith or creed," said Chaplain Charles E. Wilson, 1st MAW.

"I know that as a Navy Chaplain, I am a better Navy Chaplain because of the RPs which I am privileged to work with," added Nixon.

The future of the Religious Program Specialists is predicted to be even more important.

"I expect that within the next five years you will see Religious Program Specialists in the Navy roles expanding to include the opportunities to do limited screening and counseling," said Nixon. "Also they may have the access to teaching classes such as suicide prevention and domestic violence."

When it was first introduced in 1878, a Chaplain Assistant had to be a schoolmaster who was musically inclined, played the organ and sang.

Although the criteria changed throughout the years, Religious Program Specialists assist chaplains in support of Marines, Sailors and their families around the world

The Department of Navy established the Specialist (W) rating to assist chaplains in 1942 with a few stipulations. The specialists could only serve in the continental United States and at selected overseas installations.

The rating lasted throughout the duration of World War II. After the war, the Marine Corps in February 1942 established a rating known as Chaplain's Assistant, which was replaced by the Religious Program Specialist rating in 1979.

In May 1979, the Chief of Naval Operations approved the insignia for the Religious Program Specialist rating.

The insignia consists of a compass which suggests the direction religion gives to life, a globe which symbolizes the availability of religious ministries throughout the world, and an anchor which indicates continuous religious support for personnel of the sea services.

Today, the 785 Religious Program Specialists, including 35 on Okinawa, job descriptions include: managing supplies and logistic support equipment, preparing budgets, drafting directives, overseeing operations of religious facilities, and accounting for and safeguarding funds collected through offerings.

Religious Program Specialists also serve as librarians at sea and with the Marine Corps in the Fleet Marine Force and in garrison.

VMGR-152 found 'Mission Capable' during evaluation

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MCAS FUTENMA — Marine Corps Combat Readiness Evaluation System evaluation team recently conducted its evaluation of Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron-152.

The readiness evaluation, which occurs in three phases, is conducted every two years for combat and combat support units, evaluating units' combat readiness in regards to the Mission Performance Standards established by Headquarters Marine Corps.

Phase one was the general knowledge and immediate actions exams; phase two consisted of operatons and maintenance evaluations; and phase three included the debrief, which ended the evaluation period Dec. 10.

Areas evaluated included general planning, aerial refueling, long-range over water aeriel refueling, low-level navigation and tactics, assault aerial delivery and transport operations, pyrotechnics, combat airfield operations, battlefield illumination, and casualty evacuation.

During the evaluation, VMGR-152 conducted 17 sorties over a 14-hour period to complete the Surge Operations requirement. As a result, all evaluated areas were deemed "Mission Capable."

"It was refreshing to be evaluated on the squadron's true combat readiness," said Capt. John Peck, VMGR-152 MCCRES coordinator. "This evaluaton brought to light the positive leadership of the command and the teamwork of the squadron personnel. It was an invaluable confidence builder for the aircrews and maintenance Marines, especially."

6 Briefs

Alcohol-related NJPS III MEF/MCBJ

The *Okinawa Marine*, in accordance with the III MEF/MCBJ Liberty Campaign Plan, now publishes the following alcohol-related nonjudicial punishments for Jan. 16 - 22.

Underage drinking

A lance corporal with III Marine Expeditionary Force Headquarters Group, III MEF, was found guilty at a company-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: restriction and extra duties for 45 days.

· Drunk and Disorderly

A private with 3rd Dental Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of being drunk and disorderly. Punishment: forfeiture of \$502 per month for two months and restriction for 60 days.

Underage drinking

A lance corporal with 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd FSSG, was found guilty at a company-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: forfeiture of \$273 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

• Underage drinking

A private first class with 9th ESB, 3rd FSSG, was found guilty at a company-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: forfeiture of \$263 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

Drunk and Disorderly

A corporal with 9th ESB, 3rd FSSG, was found guilty at a company-level NJP of being drunk and disorderly. Punishment: forfeiture of \$324 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

Community Briefs

Troy State registration

Troy State University will begin registration for Term IV, 2000, Feb. 14 - 25. TSU offers Master of Science programs in management, international relations, public administration, and foundations of education.

For more information, call Elizabeth or Stephanie at 634-3930.

Football Frenzy on Hansen

National Football League (NFL) players will be at the Hansen USO tomorrow from noon to 3 p.m. Meet H.R. Sivagni from the Minnesota Vikings, Bubba Winkler of the Green Bay Packers, and Keith Poole and Brett Bech from the New Orleans Saints. There will be autograph signing and food available.

The event is free and open to all SOFA status personnel and their guests.

For more information, call 633-4510.

Paintball Tournament

Paintball is an exciting, fun sport. Playing paintball gives you the chance to shake off your day-to-day responsibilities and rekindle your spirit of adventure. When the adrenaline starts pumping, you can't help but love the thrill of the game.

Come join in the fun with this five person speedball tournament played in round-robin format. This event will be held Feb. 20. Gates open 7-8 a.m. only. There will be a rules briefing at 8 a.m. and games begin at 9

a.m.

A maximum of 16 teams will be accepted for this event. Registration must be completed by Feb. 15 at Kadena Outdoor Recreation. Tournament fee is \$20 per player, or with semi gun rental, \$30 per player.

Free hot dogs/beverages and t-shirts will be available for participants. For more information, call Outdoor Recreation at 634-3689.

Valentine's dance

The Okinawa International Women's Club is having a Valentine's Dinner Dance Feb. 5 at the Butler O'Club. Kelly Wright will entertain as well as the Japanese Air Self-Defense Force Band. Come out and meet the club members and learn more about the organization.

Tickets are \$25 and should be purchased by today. Call Katina Ungerman at 646-5249 or Frances Bondi at 646-8900 for more information.

Officer selection visit

Today is the last day the Officer Selection Office Team will be conducting briefs and screenings on Okinawa. The team assists enlisted Marines interested in becoming officers.

They will visit all camps on Okinawa. For more information, contact your unit career planner.

Leadership workshop

It's here! The new 4 Roles of Leadership Workshop is now available, and it gives you the tools and knowledge to move from capable management to effective leadership.

We're all being challenged to do more with less. Finally, there's a workshop that really shows you how to do it. It starts with leading more and managing less so you can dedicate your energies to accomplishing your goals, not just putting out fires.

The workshop will be conducted from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2 in the CHRO Training Class Room, Camp Foster, Building 331, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Col. W. C. Johnson, III MEF Inspector/BRI Team Leader will be the facilitator.

To register, call Mr. Joe Gutierrez at 622-0038 or e-mail your registration to gutierrezja@iiimef.usmc.mil.

All-Marine wrestling trials

The All-Marine wrestling trials are scheduled for Feb. 1 through Mar. 14 at Marine Corps Base Quantico.

Funding for travel of qualified Marines is available from Semper Fit, Headquarters Marine Corps. Marines interested in participating must send a resume to HQMC Personnel and Family Readiness Division, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, 3280 Russell Rd., Quantico Va. 22134-5103.

Resumes must include wrestling experience, number and results of matches. Resumes must also include a command endorsement stating that the Marine is available to attend.

School bus office relocation

The Okinawa School Bus Office has been relocated. The new facility is Building 5821 on Camp Foster, located on 6th Marine Division Rd. All bus monitors are requested to report to the new facility.

For more information, call 645-2036/7820.

2000 Okinawa Marathon

The 2000 Okinawa Marathon is scheduled for Feb. 20. Applications are now being accepted.

To receive an application or for more information, contact your military installation's fitness facility.

NNOA Golf Tournament

The National Naval Officers Association is sponsoring a Valentine's golf tournament Feb. 14. Registration deadline is Feb. 4, and the fee is \$30 including cart and green fees.

For information, contact 1stLt. Halyard at 645-9254.

USO Golf fundraiser

The USO Friendship Charity Golf Tournament is scheduled for today at Kadena Golf Course. The fee is \$45 for SOFA status personnel and ¥13,000 for non-SOFA participants. Proceeds from this tournament ben-

efit military personnel stationed on Okinawa. Register at the Kadena USO. For more information, call 633-0438.

Korean furniture sale

There will be a Korean furniture sale sponsored by the Kubasaki High School Senior Class of 2000. Proceeds benefit the "Project Graduation" and Varsity Soccer Team. The sale is Feb. 26 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Feb 27 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Bechtel Elementary School Gym, Camp McTureous. Your support will help give seniors a safe, fun and memorable graduation. For more information, call Mark at 645-3614.

Support, referee, play soccer

If you are 16-years-old or older, and are interested in playing, refereeing or supporting soccer on Okinawa, contact Barnes at 622-5237, Sam at sam10ref@konnect.net, Conrad on Kadena at conrad.marshall@kadena.af.mil, or for the women's league, contact Amy at mccambridgeae@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

Kanda's Gallery art show and sale

Kanda's Gallery B.O.Q. is hosting an art show and sale Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Kubaskai High School Project Graduation

For more information and a map to the event, call Ms. Bondi at 646-8900 or Al Yturralde at 645-9694.

International Christian Women's luncheon

The International Christian Women's Association is hosting a luncheon Feb. 18 at 10:45 a.m. in the Butler Officers' Club.

If interested in attending, call Nikki Caines at 646-6596, or Helen Davis at 926-2263 by Feb. 14.

College admission and financial aid issues

Barry McCarty, College Board representative from Lafayette University, will be coming to Okinawa Feb. 16 to address college admission and financial aid issues.

To arrange an appointment, call 645-6888/6883, or come to the Kubasaki High School Library with a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at 7 p.m. This meeting is for both Kubasaki and Kadena High School parents and students.

Government Surplus Sale

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office at Camp Kinser will hold a Government Surplus Sale Feb. 5 from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Building 600.

The sale is open to SOFA status personnel and must be purchased for personal use only. Payment must be in U.S. dollars, cash only.

For more information, call 637-4323/3707.

Kadena Investment Study Group

Learn more about investing! We discuss the stock market, bonds, mutual funds, taxes, etc. The meetings are open to everyone islandwide and are held at the Kadena Family Support Center on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month from 3-5 p.m.

For more information, call 633-1565/5465.

Dancehall party

The West Indian Association of Okinawa is sponsoring a dancehall party Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Globe and Anchor on Camp Foster. The buffet will be served at 8:30 p.m. and the cost is \$10.

For tickets, contact Mardy at 622-8589, Will at 645-2721, Evans at 645-7540, or Karina at 637-6883.

To submit a brief ...

The Okinawa Marine accepts briefs for non-profit organizations and groups only. Briefs are run on space-available and time-priority basis. Deadline for briefs is noon Friday. The Okinawa Marine reserves the right to edit to fit space. Submit briefs by faxing to 645-3803, or send an e-mail to angusrj@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

Former Commandant remembered

Last Friday the Marine Corps laid to rest at Arlington one of its finest commandants, Gen. Leonard F. Chapman Jr. We who are privileged to wear the Marine uniform owe a lasting debt to him for his leadership during one of the most difficult periods of the modern era.

Gen. Chapman became commandant on Jan. 1, 1968, a time when our country was heavily involved in an unpopular war in Vietnam and was grappling with a host of problems that deeply affected society. Drug abuse, racial tensions and a large conscripted force challenged the fabric of both our civilian and military societies.

To confront these challenges, Chapman balanced the traditional military needs for discipline and obedience to orders against the realities of a changing society and its effect on military culture. He held the line on Marine Corps standards while extending the boundaries of freedom of expression within our ranks.

In so doing, he led our Corps from the abyss of Vietnam toward the all-volunteer

force, and his dignified leadership inspired many, like myself, who made up the young officer corps in the '70s, to follow his lead and remain on active duty.

The decisions he made were not easy and were frequently at odds with prevailing social trends, but Marines knew them to be essential to the preservation of our Corps. His policies regarding race relations and drug use are examples of his vision.

Chapman reinforced the long-standing policy that discrimination would not be tolerated; he did so by issuing a clear message of intent to all Marines. Pointing out the link between equal opportunity and combat effectiveness, he instructed leaders to eradicate every trace of discrimination, intentional or otherwise.

In 1969 he created the Equal Opportunity Branch at Headquarters Marine Corps, which established the basic framework on which the Corps built race relations programs in the '70s. That branch continues to address these issues today.

As for drug use: While many thought

Marine leaders should look the other way, Chapman responded with a policy of zero tolerance. "The Marine Corps cannot tolerate drug use within its ranks," he wrote. "Those who experiment with drugs will be punished. Those who are addicted will be separated. . . . Both types of users introduce unnecessary operational risk, as well as an unwholesome environment."

Junior leaders saw and respected the general's adherence to standards in a sea of change. They admired the fact that he stood tall on principle when it would have been more expedient to cave in to popular opinion. His "We don't promise you a rose garden" recruiting theme rang true to Marines who valued service above self.

We also saw in this man a living example of the character and attributes that reflect what Americans think and feel about the word "Marine."

Soft-spoken but by no means gentle, Chapman let his actions do his talking. He proved his physical courage time and again on the many battlefields on which he served; he also consistently demonstrated moral courage in the decisions he made as commandant.

Chapman loved being a Marine, and he loved those who served under him. His sense of duty was so strong that he would never allow his personal feelings to interfere with what was important or necessary for his country and the Marine Corps. He was a patriot and a leader at a time when such values weren't fully understood or appreciated by many segments of our society.

The primary reason the Marine Corps flourishes today can be traced to the standards passed on to my generation of Marines. He consistently did the right thing.

Today, our Corps' success in meeting its recruiting goals is evidence that young Americans remain drawn to those ideals. We see, time and again, that those standards are necessary, and that they continue to define us.

Gen. James L. Jones, Commandant of the Marine Corps

Marines should take time to set, achieve goals

Lieutenant Gen. T. J. "Stonewall" Jackson once said, "You may be whatever you endeavor to be." I have always been fond of that quote and have carried those words along with some others in my little green notebook for many years as a Marine. Jackson's words have been a reminder to me in my own career, that in life, no one can hold you back from doing whatever you desire to do or be as long as you are willing to put out the effort to attain your goals. As we begin this new year and begin to set goals for the upcoming year, I would like to talk to you about setting some goals that you might not have thought of before and about how you can meet them.

In my 29 years of being a Marine, I have never seen a Marine who, if he or she was determined enough to reach a specific goal in the Corps, was ever denied that goal. Hard to believe? Well I can assure you it's true. I believe that in this Marine Corps you can do whatever you desire as long as you are willing to work for it. Why do I feel that way? Because I see examples of it every day. For some Marines, setting the goal of attending Jump School might be a short term goal while being a master gunnery sergeant is their long-range ambition. For others their goals in the Corps might be a change of military occupational specialty to another occupational field or a tour on the drill field as a drill instructor. Regardless of what goal you set, if you want it badly enough, are willing to work and sacrifice to reach that goal and have the patience to apply (and, yes, sometimes reapply), the Marine Corps and your leadership are standing by to help you fulfil those dreams.

Let me give you an example of a Marine who set some goals for himself when he was a enlisted man and then did everything in his power to reach those goals.

LtCol. Mark H. Bean is the current commanding officer of 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines. But back in 1972, Bean was Pvt. Bean, United States Marine Corps Recruit, standing on yellow footprints at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, S.C. The son of parents who were both Marines and the sibling of a brother and sister who had also proudly worn the eagle, globe, and anchor of our Corps, you might say it was preordained that he would enlist in the Corps and Bean would probably tell you you were right.

After recruit training, Pvt. Bean was assigned to 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines where he worked hard and eventually reached the rank of sergeant. After reaching that short term goal, he set his sights on another and asked for and received orders back to Parris Island — this time as a drill instructor. He wanted to give back to the Corps and to the next generation of Marines, the leadership he had gained in the fleet. During this tour he reached the goal of being promoted to the rank of staff sergeant.

It was during this time that even with the great demands on his time as a drill instructor that Bean also pursued his off-duty education. He juggled the demands of being an outstanding drill instructor and an outstand-

ing student. Was it easy? Hell no, it wasn't easy, but as Bean will tell you, nothing in life worth having ever is.

Submitting his package for both the Enlisted Commissioning Program and the Marine Corps Enlisted Commissioning Education Program, he was selected for the first program as an alternate. Never giving up hope, he was also subsequently selected for the MECEP program, which he accepted because it was a "full-ride degree with a regular commission." He withdrew his name from the ECP program and off he went to the University of Washington in Seattle to earn the rest of his degree. Then, he went to Officer Candidate School at Quantico, Va., with the Bulldog program and finally received his commission in 1982.

The bottom line to this story is that you too can be the next Bean of our Corps if you really want to. Or, for that matter, the next Gen. Al Gray, former Commandant of the Marine Corps; Col. Jim Fulks, commanding officer of Task Force Grizzly; Col. Tim Conway, former commanding officer, of the Recruit Training Regiment in San Diego and current G-3 for MARFORPAC; or Sgt. Ismael Alcala — all of whom became or will become Marine officers through enlisted commissioning programs.

You, too, can add your name to those who reached the goals that these Marines did if you set goals for yourself and then do everything in your power to attain them.

> Sgt. Maj. Robert W. Holub, Marine Forces Pacific

STREET TALK



Lance Cpl. Jonathan M. Torres, MALS-36, 1st MAW

"I participate in shop PT and go to the gym for an additional cadiovas cular workout."

Staff Sgt. Calvin Register, Staff Secretary Office, 3rd FSSG

"I work out five days a week. I run at least four days a week and go to the gym."



"I like to run, and go to the gym to lift weights and bike."

"What do you do to stay physically fit?"



"I play a lot of sports, including basketball and football."

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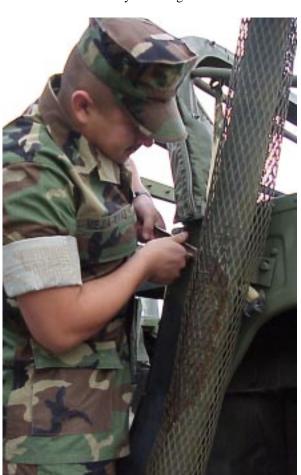


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NAHA MILITARY PORT — A cargo ship pulls into Naha Military Port. Civilians off-load several tactical vehicles and containers of Marine Corps gear. The gear is tucked away in a warehouse and the vehicles are parked in a lot at the port. It's the job of Marines to get the gear and vehicles where they need to go.



Corporal Victor H. Mejia-Rivas, assistant noncommissioned officer in charge, removes a exhaust pipe from a vehicle for shipment at Naha Military Port.

The five-Marine team from the Traffic Management Office, freight section, has the responsibility of getting Marine units on Okinawa their gear and vehicles.

Although the Marine Liaison at Naha Military Port is a small unit, it is an important one.

"Our overall mission here is to get gear to its destination," said Cpl. Victor H. Mejia-Rivas, assistant noncommissioned officer in charge, TMO Liaison, Naha Military Port. "We also have to make sure everything is online and accounted for."

"We represent the Marine Corps at Naha Military Port and act as the middle man for everything that gets shipped in or out of here," he continued.

Depending on the season, the Marines at Naha Military Port may be struggling to keep up or they may be waiting for gear to come to them. The summer season is the busiest, according to Mejia-Rivas, because of the gear Marines need shipped for deployments.

"In the summer when there are a lot of deployments, it can get pretty challenging here," said Mejia-Rivas. "It's challenging when you have to accomplish all your daily tasks as well as process as many as 500 pieces of gear for a deployment. The pace is definitely increased during the deployment season.'

Another challenge with working at the port is communicating with Okinawans.

"It's a challenge working with the Okinawans," said Mejia-Rivas. "It's pretty hard communicating with them. Usually we end up using sign language, but we still get the job done."

Working at Naha Military Port means working closely with Okinawan civilians. The Marines here work at building foreign relations with them and act as ambassadors for the Marine Corps, and the United States.

"There's one guy at the trucking company who we all get along with pretty well," said Mejia-Rivas. "He is a lot of fun and he knows quite a bit of English. It's not all the textbook English, but slang as well. It's the kind of stuff you would say to your friends."

Whenever Marines enter his office he greets them with a hearty, "What's up?" and offers them a piece of candy or a cup of tea.

"These guys are the best," said Taro Sakigawa, dis-

patcher, Oroku trucking company. "I learned English by working with these guys for the past three years. They are always coming in here and asking me for trucks or asking me to teach them Japanese. It's a lot of fun working with them."

According to Mejia-Rivas, the small unit, along with the Okinawan workers, is like a family and everyone tries to take care of each other.

"The smaller the unit the better," said Lance Cpl. Jason L. Prude, export clerk. "When there aren't as many Marines working in the same area, communication is better among them."

As another day ends and another ship pulls out of Naha Military Port into the sunset, Marine units can sleep easy knowing that the five-man team of TMO Marines have loaded their gear aboard a ship and will be there when they need it for their deployments and exercises.



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Lance Cpl. Jason L. Prude, export clerk, checks for leaks under a Logistics Vehicle System.



Lance Cpl. Scott Whittington

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CAMP HANSEN — Marines from Landing Support Company, 3rd Transportation Support Battalion recently taught artillery Marines from Battery T, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines how to "hook up" an M-198 Howitzer and prepare it for an airlift with the help of a CH-53E at Landing Zone Dodo here.

The CH-53E is the only helicopter capable of transporting the 15,000-pound weapon.

A Helicopter Rope Suspension

Team, comprised of eight Marines, took approximately two minutes to hook the slings to the dangling attachments from the helicopter.

There are four locations on the M-198 Howitzer where the slings are attached. The "Red Patchers" of 3rd TSB assisted the 3/12 Marines in every step.

Once the slack in the sling was tight and all Marines clear, the CH-53E took off and returned to the same landing zone for the next group of 3/12 Marines to practice.

"It's a method of movement that makes artillery a valuable asset in combat," said Lt. Col. David A. Kelley Jr., battalion commander, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, who oversaw the training in g.

"A helicopter can go places trucks can not reach and get there faster."

The howitzer has a maximum range of 30,000 meters. With such a range, the enemy would have a hard time locating the gun, according to Maj. Eric B. Garretty, S-3, 3/12.

The seven ton M-198 Howitzer was easily lifted from the ground with the strength of the 'Super Stallion'.

"We can drop (a Howitzer) in the enemy's backyard," said Garretty. "Then when we engage enemy targets they don't know where the fire is coming from."





(above) Marines from Landing Support Co., 3rd Transportation Support Bn. and Btry. T, 3rd Bn., 12th Marines work together to move a Howitzer with a CH-53E.

(left) Lance Cpl. Edward E. Westfield, Landing Support Company, 3rd Transportation Support Battalion, hooks a M-198 Howitzer to a CH-53E.



Lance Cpl. Reggie P. Matias, KC-130 engine mechanic, MALS-36, makes a few adjustments on an engine in the shop.

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Turning wrenches on the ground keeps birds flying

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MCAS FUTENMA — If your car breaks down, you pull it over to the side of the road and flag down someone for assistance. There is no roadside assistance when flying 20,000 feet above the Pacific Ocean. That's why the Corps needs hard-working Marines repairing aircraft engines to keep the birds in the air.

The Marines of powerplants division, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron-36, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, repair the engines that power the Corps' aviation force. The powerplants division of MALS-36 supports various squadrons here to help maintain the aircraft.

"We deal with all the squadrons, so all the aircraft out there from the helicopters to the KC-130s come to us for repairs," said Staff Sgt. Marvin A. Suzuki, production control assistant, noncommissioned officer in charge.

The powerplants division is divided into six smaller work sections. Each work center repairs engines for different aircraft, with the exception of the component shop, which works with all five aircraft.

When an engine or component breaks, the powerplants division sends a crew to troubleshoot. They assess the problem and the broken part is taken out of the aircraft and brought to one of the work sections for inspection and repair, according to Suzuki.

Once the engine or component is completely repaired, it must be inspected. Each engine is sent to the test cell, where it undergoes rigorous testing to ensure it is safe to put on an aircraft.

When the entire process is over, the squadron receives its engine or component and can expect it to function properly.

Because the squadrons are constantly flying, the Marines and Sailors in each work section must work hard to keep up. According to Suzuki, the most challenging aspect of repairing engines is the long hours.

Many times each work section must work long, hard hours to ensure engines and components are properly repaired when the different squadrons need them.

Despite the hard work, many Marines know what they are doing is important.

"I feel like I'm making a difference in

mission accomplishment by doing a good job when repairing engines," said Lance Cpl. John C. Vansant, CH-46 engine mechanic, MALS-36.

Other Marines enjoy the job because of what they

"I love working on aircraft engines because I'm constantly learning," said Pfc. Jesse A. Garland, CH-46 engine mechanic, MALS-36. "I've been here four months and I still learn new things all the time."





Lance Cpl. Luke J. Fournier, CH-46 engine mechanic, works on a helicopter engine in the 46 shop, one of six work sections within the power plants division of MALS-36.



(Above) Marines and Sailors in the component shop work with a variety of different aircraft parts. One Marine could be working on a component for a KC-130 while two feet away, another Marine works on a Cobra component.

(left) Sergeant Jose J. Garcia, CH-53 engine mechanic, MALS-36, takes a close look at part of a CH-53 engine.

Highly mobile

Motor Transport Marines maintain III MEF's mobility

Cpl. Sharon M. Davis

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — The Marine Corps prides itself on its mobility. Units can pack and move in a matter of

However, without Marines like those in Motor Transport Maintenance Company, 3rd Materiel Readiness Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, that mobility would not be possible.

"We provide third echelon maintenance for the Marine Expeditionary Force," said CWO3 Gerard Givens, the maintenance officer with MTM Co. The unit fixes everything from engines and transmissions to tightening the screws which hold on the side mirrors, according to Givens.

"The units need their equipment up and ready to go for their jobs," said Givens. "That is where we come

In addition to getting vehicles back on the road quickly, they are also accountable for safety.

"It is of the utmost importance that we ensure these vehicles are safe," said Cpl. Jason L. Crockett, quality control noncommissioned officer for MTM Co. "When a truck comes in, we have to make sure it leaves in a better condition than when it came in."

Crockett gives the final word when it comes to repairs and safety. When a unit brings in a vehicle to be repaired, he checks it over to make sure the needed repairs are made. He also troubleshoots for unidentified problems.

"If it can't be fixed quickly, I'll do a Limited Technical Inspection," he said.

An LTI is a list of everything on a vehicle that may need repairs. It also records damage and other deficiencies that may not be related to normal wear and tear.



Sgt. Gregory W. Goodman (left) and Cpl. Romie C. Autry, diesel mechanics, work to repair a pump for a wrecker.

The unit works very hard in ensuring a good turn around time, which is usually a week, according to Crockett.

"We usually get an average of two to three trucks coming through here everyday," said Crockett. "Some are done in two days, some take two weeks. It all depends on the level of maintenance. We fix every piece of rolling stock the Marine Corps has."

Because of the number of vehicles they have to repair, many times they must work long hours to get the job done.

"These Marines do an outstanding job," said Givens. "They work hard. They know if we don't get the trucks back out to the units, they're not going to stop coming in.

"This is very important to the Marine Corps. These units need their equipment for battle and to do their jobs."

'Mike' helps corpsmen help Marines

Lance Cpl. Micheal O. Foley

Combat Correspondent

CAMPKINSER—A squad is patrolling a hillside in the predawn darkness. The point man suddenly raises a clenched fist. Everyone freezes in their tracks. Then, without warning, everyone hits the deck as the enemy appears from atop the hillside and bullets begin whizzing over their heads.

Pinned down, the Marines return fire as the radioman calls in for air support. Several minutes pass until the sounds of a gunship are heard. Buzzing over their heads, the Cobra gunship sprays the enemy with gunfire sending them fleeing back over the hilltop, but not before several Marines are wounded.

The squad's corpsman has his hands full with several different kinds of medical situations.

Fortunately, the corpsman has the new MOLLE (Modular Lightweight Load-Bearing Equipment) system Medical "Mike" bag.

The "Mike" bag is a corpsman's addition to the MOLLE pack. While Marines across the island start using MOLLE packs, corpsmen will be able to use the "Mike" bag along with them.

Corpsmen desperately needed the new bag, according to Cmdr. Colin G. Chinn,



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The "Mike" bag comes with a lot more life saving equipment than the Unit One bag had. With the "Mike" bag, corpsmen will have a stethoscope, blood pressure cuff, intravenous injection sets, a surgical instrument set for minor surgery, and many more items.

Group Surgeon, 3rd Force Service Support Group. The MOLLE pack is replacing the Unit One, a much smaller bag, designed to carry only bandages, simple medications and other small items.

"The Unit One was originally designed for the Korean conflict," said Master Chief Petty Officer Bob Elliot, command master chief, 3rd FSSG. "As emergency medical care technology has been marching on over the last 50 years, the corpsmen's tools haven't really been moving with it.

"Now we are starting the new millennium with new, top-of-the-line equipment, and it's going to help us take better care of our Marines," he added.

The top-of-the-line equipment corpsmen will be carrying around includes a variety of life saving and patient assessment tools.

Corpsmen will now be equipped with intravenous bags, specialty bandages for burns and sucking chest wounds, intubation tubes to assist breathing, stethoscopes, blood pressure cuffs, and instruments to examine ears and eyes. They will also have a minor surgical kit to administer stitches, remove foreign objects and other minor surgical emergencies.

"The new bag will significantly increase the caring capacity and treatment capability," said Chinn. "This equipment allows corpsmen to better medically assess patients. This will help in trauma situations as well, when corpsmen have a "golden hour" to help the patient or get them to definitive medical care. In trauma cases, after an hour the chances of the patient surviving are drastically reduced."

With the new pack, corpsmen will be able to give patients higher-level care.

To get full use of the new equipment, corpsmen will be trained on how to use the pack.

"We're stepping up our medical training for our corpsmen, because we're giving them tools which can provide some of the same high-level care that doctors administer," said Chinn. "Once all corpsmen know how to use all their tools properly, the new bag will show its full advantages."



Lieutenant Zenon A. Bochnak, Navy chaplain, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd MarDiv, cuts away the overgrown branches of a palm tree with the

Marines of Battery L, 3/12, in Kin's Perry Park Jan. 21.

Lima, 3/12 cleans Kin's Perry Park

Cpl. Jeff Womack

Combat Correspondent

KIN, Okinawa – Through the chilly air, cloudy sky and drizzle, the Marines of Battery L, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, persisted to finish the job no matter what.

These artillerymen spent an afternoon tidying up Perry Park Jan. 21, in an effort to assist the people of Kin Town.

"We were asked, as a battalion, to take care of the Peace Park, but since the grass doesn't grow as fast during the winter, we decided to work on this park," said Lt. Zenon A. Bochnak, Navy chaplain, 3/12, a Fords, N.J., native.

The park rests on top of a hill and begins with a stone pathway. As one travels down the pathway a playground and a golf field are revealed on the right.

Further down the path lies a pavilion and a statue of the last American appointed Chief Executive of the Government for the Ryukyu Islands, the equivalent to a prefectural governor, Metsuoka

Surrounding the pavilion and the statue are palm trees, now trimmed, and grass, properly cut, thanks to 3/12.

Sweeping the walkways, trimming palm trees and hedges, collecting trash and cutting the grass were just a few things needed to clean up the park. Some members of the community also assisted in the effort.

"It benefits both sides to work together," said Bochnak. "The mayor of Kin Town expressed his gratitude for our 'good neighbor' attitude."

"Marines should do stuff like this more often," said Lance Cpl. Daniel L. Williamson, cannoneer, Btry L, 3/12, and Nebraska City, Neb., native. "It's a whole new world out there and not too many Marines recognize places like these."

The battalion continues to take care of the Peace Park which they adopted in 1998, but the memory of work done here will remain with Marines long after they leave Okinawa.



Marines from 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, cut away tall grass and clean up a walkway in Kin's Perry Park.



Cpl. Steven A. Stehling and Lance Cpl. Kenneth S. Cantrell, fire direction controllers, Battery L, 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, pull out the supports for a tree that no longer needs help to grow in Kin's Perry Park.

Marines donate toys, clothes to Philippines

Lance Cpl. Scott Whittington

Combat Correspondent

CAMP HANSEN — Coming back from Operation Stabilise in East Timor, Marines and Sailors made a port call at Cebu, Philippines. While there, Marines noticed that more than 75 children at a local shelter were in need of clothing and toys.

When word reached congregation members of some of the chapels on Okinawa, they agreed to do something about it. They gathered more than 500 toys, 200 of which

came from the Toys for Tots Program, and several large boxes of clothes.

"When someone asks for the Marines' help, that's when they shine the most," said Lt. Cmdr. Bill D. Devine, chaplain, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit. "Marines enjoy helping people."

During their initial visit to Cebu, Marines rebuilt a roof, painted buildings and made window screens for the missionaries of Charity Home for Malnourished and Sick Children (CHMSC).

"The Marines did this on their off time," said Devine.

"I have never had a problem with Marines wanting to help.'

The Marines with MEU Service Support Group-31 on Camp Kinser also contributed. Anxious to help anyway they could, they supplied two five-ton trucks to collect all the donations. The items were then taken to White Beach and loaded aboard the USS Juneau. While operating in the area, the ship is scheduled to stop at Cebu for a port call. The large boxes containing the donations will then be off-loaded and presented to the nuns of CHMSC for distribution to the children at the shelter.

Swim team looking for a few good dolphins

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — Pounding the pavement mile after mile is one way to stay in shape. However, an alternative form of physical training is available at Marine Corps Community Services pools here.

The Okinawa Dolphins Swim Team's winter season is currently underway, giving all Department of Defense employees and family members another way to stay in shape.

"We're a swim team for any branch of service and dependents of anyone who works for the DoD," said Mat Luebbers, head coach, Okinawa Dolphins Swim Team. "We're trying to provide an organized, healthy alternative for people."

The Dolphins are made up of adults, who participate in the Masters swim practices, and youths, who are divided up into Senior, Gold, Silver, Bronze or Dolphin levels, depending on their ages and abilities.

Anyone can dive in after paying a \$25 fee that covers the entire winter season.

Although some of the Dolphins compete at a high level, anyone can join the team and get an equal amount of coaching and support, according to Luebbers.

This support lends to the coaches' main goal, to help the swimmer improve upon a great workout.

"The workouts we do are general conditioning workouts," Luebbers said. "It's a great aerobic exercise. It works the muscles of the body, both upper and lower."

To improve a swimmer's workout, regardless of their level, the Dolphins go through drills during the practice sessions. These drills teach the swimmer to concentrate on a specific element of the stroke, according to Luebbers.

Luebbers also films the swimmer in the pool. Then he and the swimmer visually break down the film as



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Dolphins apply the instruction they've received by hammering out more laps in the pool.

Luebbers comments on what he sees is wrong or right in the mechanics of the stroke. This allows some swimmers to see exactly what their stroke looks like for the first time, said Luebbers.

"It's great," said Scott Maunu, who qualified to represent the Air Force in last year's Ironman Triathlon in Hawaii. "It's probably the best mirror you've got. For the longest time I thought I was entering the water

correctly."

However, after seeing his stroke on film, Maunu changed his mind. "I thought 'Holy smokes, I'm doing that?""

Maunu found the help he received from Luebbers and his staff invaluable in training for the Ironman. "I've corrected a lot of the problems I had."

From triathlons to better fitness training, the Dolphins can target a workout based on individual goals and needs.

The Dolphins follow one of three different workouts during a practice session. Each workout targets a specific ability level, according to Luebbers.

"We write new workouts every day so there's lots of variety," Luebbers said. "It makes it a little more fun and a little more interesting. It helps you to improve at your own pace."

This variety can help Marines stay in shape and improve their fitness for Marine Corps standards, according to Luebbers.

However, some people are interested in taking their training to a higher level. The Dolphins will help with training workouts for triathlons, dualathlons and any other sport that involves water, according to Luebbers.

Ultimately, the Dolphins offer a team atmosphere to help swimmers achieve what they might not be able to on their own.

"Everybody in the group is on the same giant team," Luebbers said. "Being a part of a team can help. We want to give people whatever they need to meet their goals."

Adults can pursue those goals Tuesday through Friday, 5:30 to 6:30 a.m., or Monday through Thursday, 5 to 6 p.m. Youth placements are held Friday's at 3:15 and 5:15 p.m. Practice times differ depending on the skill level.

For more information on the Okinawa Dolphins Swim Team or for dates and times of practices on other camps call 645-2787.

Swarm downs Goldrush 18-7, wins Kinser Super Bowl

Lance Cpl. Micheal O. Foley

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — In a fight to be champions, Swarm triumphed over Goldrush 18-7 in the final game of the Camp Kinser Super Bowl Flag Football Tournament here Jan. 23.

The tournament fielded 11 teams in the two-day, double elimination tournament. The tournament featured several of the island's best teams, according to Armand R. Van Pelt, sports coordinator, Marine Corps Community Services.

Swarm and Goldrush both reached the final game, but in two very different ways. Both teams disposed of their first-round opponents and found each other in the second round.

In their first meeting, Swarm pounded Goldrush 25-7 and sent them to the losers' bracket. After beating Orange Crush 8-0, Swarm was the last undefeated team in the tournament and waited for the losers' bracket to fill itself out for the final game.

Goldrush's road to the finals was much more bumpy. Losing to Swarm early in the tournament put them in the tough situation where they needed to win several games to reach the championship game. Although they won their next three games, each game was close and Goldrush used a lot of energy trying to put them away.

After beating the Kinser Kings 18-13, they ran into a tough Army Knights team. It came down to the team that made the

most out of their point-after-touchdown opportunities.

In the final plays of the game, the Army Knights threw passes and followed them with a series of laterals, moving them down the field until Goldrush pulled a flag just yards from the end zone.

During the next game of the tournament, Goldrush battled it out with Orange Crush. After another game decided by one touchdown, Goldrush turned around to face Swarm in the finals, their third game in a row.

"We've been in the situation where we've had to come back from the losers' bracket and play a lot of games," said Willie L. Gray, Jr., Swarm quarterback. "It's never easy playing all those games in a row."

In the beginning of the championship game, Swarm scored a quick touchdown. It looked like Swarm was taking advantage of the worn-out Goldrush team. Goldrush was able to hold off Swarm for the remainder of the half, scoring on a touchdown seconds before halftime, but that was as far as they could go.

"I knew we had them when we scored our first touchdown in the second half," said Gray. "They were just worn out and I knew our defense was going to play strong. We rarely give up more than one touchdown a game."

Swarm held true to their word shutting out Goldrush in the second half and adding another score late in the game.

The Swarm defense allowed only 14



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Ricky McDade (9), quarterback, Army Knights, jukes out Benny Felings (3), linebacker, Goldrush, to turn the corner and gain some extra yardage along the sideline at the Super Bowl Flag Football Tournament at Camp Kinser.

points in the four games they played in the tournament, all 14 going to Goldrush in two separate games.

"I tip my hat to Goldrush," said Gray.

"It always seems like we're playing [them] in the championships of every tournament."

Goldrush was happy with their perfor-

mance as well.

"We were down, but we weren't out," said Brent A. Bernard, Goldrush quarterback. "Our backs were against the wall, but we came up through the loser bracket and got back where we wanted to be. When it came down to it, Swarm just wore us out."

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